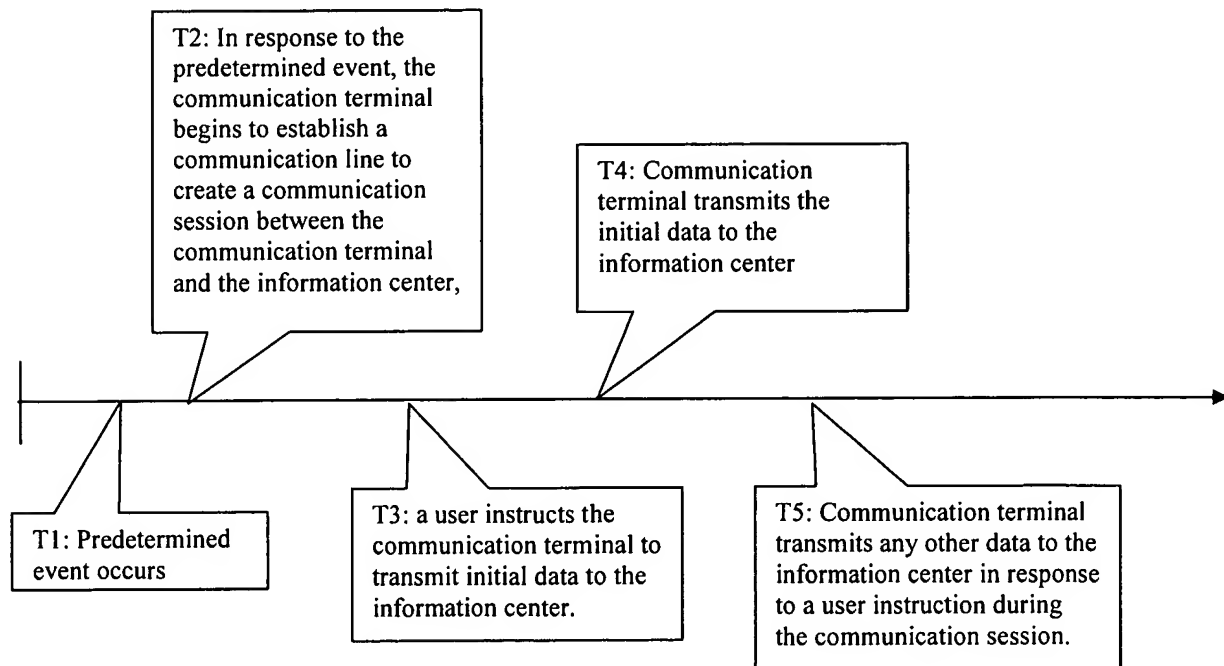


A. Claim 6

For example, claim 6 states that, in response to a predetermined event, a communication terminal begins to establish a communication line to create a communication session between the terminal and an information center. Also, the predetermined event occurs before a user instructs the communication terminal to transmit initial data to the information center. Additionally, the communication terminal transmits the initial data to the information center before the communication terminal transmits any other data to the information center in response to a user instruction during the communication session. An exemplary timeline of the claimed features is shown below.



On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner acknowledges that Kung does not suggest that a predetermined event occurs before a user instructs a communication circuit to transmit

initial data to an information center and does not teach that the communication circuit transmits the initial data to the information center before it transmits any other data to the information center in response to a user instruction during the communication session. However, he contends that Kamada suggests the features above. Applicants respectfully disagree.

For example, in Kamada, a user displays a screen 600 (Fig. 6) which prompts the user to input information to control the manner in which a web browsing apparatus (Fig. 4) performs an “auto-navigation” function to automatically display web pages in a sequential manner. For example, as described in the reference, the user inputs an instruction (*e.g.*, pressing a special button on a remote control 402) to instruct the apparatus in Fig. 4 to issue an Internet connection instruction. (Column 7, lines 54-62). After the line is established, the user inputs a user instruction to begin the auto-navigation function shown in Fig. 8. (Column 11, lines 28-31).

Assuming that the user selected the “depth-first search” option in the display screen 600, and initiates the auto-navigation function, the web browsing apparatus retrieves a home page and displays it on a display. (Fig. 8 (step 804); column 11, lines 44-48). Then, when the home page has been displayed for a certain period of time, the apparatus retrieves a new web page corresponding to a link in the displayed home page and displays the new web page. (Fig. 8 (steps 807 and 814); column 11, line 64, to column 12, line 29).

As described above, Kamada clearly does not suggest that, in response to a predetermined event, a communication terminal begins to establish a communication line to create a communication session and that the predetermined event occurs before a user instructs a communication circuit to transmit initial data to an information center. As such, the reference cannot further suggest the communication circuit transmits the initial data to the information

center before it transmits any other data to the information center in response to a user instruction during the communication session. Since the Examiner acknowledges that Kung does not teach the above features, Applicants submit that claim 6 is patentable.

B. Claims 7-10

Since claims 7-10 depend upon claim 6, Applicants submit that they are patentable at least by virtue of their dependency.

C. Claims 11 and 12

Since claims 11 and 12 contain features that are analogous to the features discussed above in conjunction with claim 1, Applicants submit that they are patentable for similar reasons.

II. Conclusion

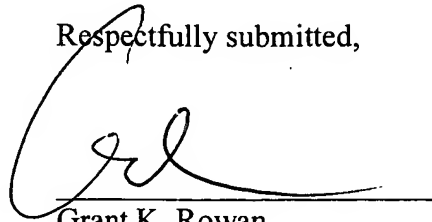
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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